<u>Existing law</u> creates the Self-Insurance Fund within the department of the treasury. Provides that such fund shall consist of all premiums paid by state agencies under the state's risk management program, the investment income earned from such premiums, and certain commissions.

<u>Existing law</u> provides for payments to survivors of a fireman killed in the performance of his official duties or acting in his capacity as a fireman; such payments to be made by the state risk manager out of the Self-Insurance Fund created by <u>existing law</u>.

<u>Existing law</u>, for such purpose, provides that "fireman" shall mean any paid, regularly employed fireman of a municipality or parish which maintains a fire department.

<u>New law</u> retains <u>existing law</u> and adds any paid, regularly employed fireman of a <u>fire protection district</u> maintaining a fire department, and any <u>volunteer fireman</u> working with any volunteer fire department or any fire department maintained by any city, parish, or fire protection district to such definition.

<u>Prior law</u> specified the survivors who were entitled to benefits and the amounts each was to receive. Provided as follows: $20,000 for the surviving spouse or, if there was no spouse, the parents, and $10,000 for each dependent child.

<u>New law</u> increases such amounts as follows: $50,000 for the spouse or parents and $25,000 for each dependent child.

<u>Existing law</u> provides for payments to survivors of a law enforcement officer killed in the performance of his official duties or acting in his capacity as an officer; such payments to be made by the state risk manager out of the Self-Insurance Fund created by <u>existing law</u>.

<u>Prior law</u> specified the survivors who were entitled to benefits and the amounts each was to receive. Provided as follows: $20,000 for the surviving spouse and $10,000 for each dependent child.

<u>New law</u> increases such amounts as follows: $50,000 for the spouse and $25,000 for each dependent child.

Effective upon signature of governor (June 30, 1999).

(Amends R.S. 33:1981(B) and (C)(1) and 2201(C)(1))